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RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE REQUESTED EXAMINING GROUP 3748 PATENT

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In re Application of:

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Application No. 10/788,431

Filed: February 27, 2004

For: ENGINE VALVE ACTUATOR

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

In reply to the Final Office Action mailed November 22, 2006, the period for response having been extended to March 22, 2007 by a request for extension of one month and fee payment filed concurrently herewith, and pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116, Applicants propose that this application be amended as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

Remarks follow the amendment section of this paper.